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Hot Mopping on Nailable Decks

Interpretations of State and Local Building Codes
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I. Requirements for Built-Up Roofing

Table 15-E of the Uniform Building Code requires that, where built-up roofing is applied over an approved nailable deck, the base ply shall be nailed using not less than one fastener for each $1\frac{1}{3}$ square feet.

II. Acceptable Conditions for Hot-Mopping a Nailable Deck

Hot-mopping the base ply on a nailable deck shall not be permitted except where *all* of the following three conditions are met:

A. The built-up roofing system to be used is approved and listed by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. or another approved listing agency.

B. Such listing permits the base ply to be hot-mopped in place.

C. A representative of the roofing manufacturer provides the Development Services Department with a signed certification for each roofing installation verifying that the roofing has been applied in strict conformance with the specifications of the manufacturer and with the recommendations of the approving agency.